

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~The present invention relates to an~~ An information distribution system that can ~~reliably distribute~~ distributes an image transmitted from each of two or more transmission apparatuses to a reception apparatus. A transmission apparatus-11-1 transmits to a reception apparatus-13 via a network-12 first control information for making a request for transmission of a result of a determination as to whether ~~or not~~ the reception apparatus-13 can receive information. When the reception apparatus 13 receives the first control information, the reception apparatus 13 generates second control information indicating whether ~~or not~~ to receive the information transmitted by the transmission apparatus-11-1, and transmits the second control information to the transmission apparatus-11-1 via the network-12. When the received second control information is information indicating that the information is not received, the transmission apparatus-11-1 prohibits the transmission of the information to the reception apparatus-13. ~~The present invention can be applied to an information distribution system for distributing image signals.~~